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which prohibit debt collectors from engaging in abusive, deceptive, and unfair

practices. Ancillary to the claims above, Plaintiff further alleges claims for

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II. JURISDICTION

2. Jurisdiction of this Court arises under 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(d).

III. PARTIES

- 3. Plaintiff, NIKKI GIAVASIS ("Plaintiff"), is a natural person residing in Los Angeles county in the state of California, and is a "consumer" as defined by the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(3) and is a "debtor" as defined by Cal Civ Code 1788.2(h).
- 4. At all relevant times herein, Defendant, KIMBALL TIREY & ST. JOHN LLC, ("Defendant") was a company engaged, by use of the mails and telephone, in the business of collecting a debt from Plaintiff which qualifies as a "debt," as defined by 15 U.S.C. §1692a(5), and a "consumer debt," as defined by Cal Civ Code § 1788.2(f). Defendant regularly attempts to collect debts alleged to be due another, and therefore is a "debt collector" as defined by the FDCPA, 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6), and RFDCPA, Cal Civ Code § 1788.2(c).

IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

5. At various and multiple times prior to the filing of the instant complaint, including within the one year preceding the filing of this complaint, Defendant contacted Plaintiff in an attempt to collect an alleged outstanding debt.

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Defendant's conduct violated the FDCPA and the RFDCPA in multiple ways, including but not limited to:

- 1) Communicating, or threatening to communicate to a third party the fact that Plaintiff has engaged in conduct, other than the failure to pay a consumer debt, which Defendant knew or had reason to know would defame the debtor (Cal Civ Code §1788.10(c));
- 2) Falsely representing the character, amount, or legal status of Plaintiff's debt (§1692e(2)(A)); Defendant attempted to collect on an alleged debt that has not been established or proven and Defendant has inflated the alleged debt improperly. On a debt was originally only \$3400, Defendant has sought to collect nearly \$10,000. Plaintiff contests that this debt exists because she paid it in full under the terms of her original lease and Defendant attempted to collect on it dispute Plaintiff's dispute;
- 3) In connection with collection of a debt, using obscene or profane language directed at Plaintiff (§1692d(2));
- 4) In connection with collection of a debt, using language the natural consequence of which was to abuse Plaintiff $(\S1692d(2));$
- 5) Using unfair or unconscionable means against Plaintiff in connection with an attempt to collect a debt (§1692f));
- 6) Collecting an amount from Plaintiff that is not expressly authorized by the agreement creating the debt (§ 1692f(1)); Defendant has attempted to collect on an alleged debt that has not been established or proven and Defendant has inflated the alleged debt improperly. On a debt was originally only \$3400, Defendant has sought to collect

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- 7) Collecting an amount from Plaintiff that is not permitted by law (§ 1692f(1)); Defendant has attempted to collect on an alleged debt that has not been established or proven and Defendant has inflated the alleged debt improperly. On a debt was originally only \$3400, Defendant has sought to collect nearly \$10,000. Plaintiff contests that this debt exists because she paid it in full under the terms of her original lease and Defendant attempted to collect on it dispute Plaintiff's dispute;
- 8) Threatening to take an action against Plaintiff that cannot be legally taken or that was not actually intended to be taken(§1692e(5));
- 9) Threatening Plaintiff that nonpayment of Plaintiff's debt may result in the arrest of Plaintiff or the seizure, garnishment, attachment or sale of any property or the garnishment or attachment of wages of Plaintiff, where such action was not in fact contemplated by the debt collector and permitted by the law (Cal Civ Code §1788.10(e));
- 10) Communicating with Plaintiff after having received a letter from Plaintiff with a request to cease and desist all collection contacts or a statement that Plaintiff refuses to pay the debt (§1692c(c)); Plaintiff sent a letter on August 15, 2009, informing Defendant's principal that she did not owe the debt in question and her attorneys' name requesting no further contact to Plaintiff. Defendant has

sent multiple communications directly to Plaintiff since that letter;

- 11) Communicating with Plaintiff at times or places which were known or should have been known to be inconvenient for Plaintiff (§1692c(a)(1));
- 12) Where Defendant had not yet made an attempt to contact Plaintiffs counsel or had not given Plaintiff's counsel sufficient time to respond to the initial attempt to communicate with Plaintiff's counsel, and where Plaintiff's counsel had not given Defendant permission to contact Plaintiff directly, communicating with Plaintiff directly after learning that Plaintiff is being represented by counsel (§1692c(a)(2));
- 13) Repeatedly contacting Plaintiff at his/her place of employment after being informed that such calls are inconvenient to Plaintiff and violate the policy of Plaintiff's employer (§ 1692c(a)(1)(3)); and
- 14) Threatening that the failure by Plaintiff to pay Plaintiff's consumer debt will result in an accusation that Plaintiff had committed a crime, where such accusation is false (Cal Civ Code § 1788.10(b)).
- 6. Defendant's aforementioned violations of the FDCPA and RFDCPA also constitute an intentional intrusion into Plaintiff's private places and into private matters of Plaintiff's life, conducted in a manner highly offensive to a reasonable person. Plaintiff had a subjective expectation of privacy that was objectively reasonable under the circumstances.

7. Defendant's aforementioned disclosure of facts regarding Plaintiff's debt to third parties constitutes a public disclosure of a private fact not of legitimate public concern. Defendant's disclosures were highly offensive to a reasonable person.

8. As a result of the above violations of the FDCPA, RFDCPA and invasion of privacy, Plaintiff suffered and continues to suffer injury to Plaintiff's feelings, personal humiliation, embarrassment, mental anguish and emotional distress, and Defendant is liable to Plaintiff for Plaintiff's actual damages, statutory damages, and costs and attorney's fees.

COUNT I: VIOLATION OF FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT

9. Plaintiff reincorporates by reference all of the preceding paragraphs.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that judgment be entered against the Defendant for the following:

A. Declaratory judgment that Defendant's conduct

violated the FDCPA;

- B. Actual damages;
- C. Statutory damages;
- D. Costs and reasonable attorney's fees; and,
- E. For such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

COUNT II: VIOLATION OF ROSENTHAL FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT

- 10. Plaintiff reincorporates by reference all of the preceding paragraphs.
- 11. To the extent that Defendant's actions, counted above, violated the RFDCPA, those actions were done knowingly and willfully

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that judgment be entered against the Defendant for the following:

- A. Declaratory judgment that Defendant's conduct violated the RFDCPA;
- B. Actual damages;
- C. Statutory damages for willful and negligent violations;
- D. Costs and reasonable attorney's fees,
- E. For such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

COUNT III: COMMON LAW INVASION OF PRIVACY BY INTRUSION AND INVASION OF PRIVACY BY PUBLICATION OF PRIVATE FACTS

12. Plaintiff reincorporates by reference all of the preceding paragraphs.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully prays that judgment be entered against the Defendant for the following:

- A. Actual damages
- B. Punitive Damages; and,

C. For such other and further relief as may be just and proper.

PLAINTIFF HEREBY REQUESTS A TRIAL BY JURY

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of April, 2010.



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT TO UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR DISCOVERY

This case has been assigned to District Judge Manuel Real and the assigned discovery Magistrate Judge is Charles Eick.

The case number on all documents filed with the Court should read as follows:

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Pursuant to General Order 05-07 of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, the Magistrate Judge has been designated to hear discovery related motions.

Unless otherwise ordered, the United States District Judge assigned to this case will hear and determine all discovery related motions.

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A copy of this notice must be served with the summons and complaint on all defendants (if a removal action is filed, a copy of this notice must be served on all plaintiffs).

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